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For: **SHAPED PARTICLE AND COMPOSITION  
FOR BONE DEFICIENCY AND METHOD OF  
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Dear Sir:

This is in response to the Office Action dated February 20, 2003, finally rejecting claims 1-16, 20-22, 26, 64-65, and 67-78 and further in response to the telephonic interview with Examiner McDermott of June 25, 2003.

**INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS**

Applicant believes no fee is due with this response. However, if a fee is due, please charge our Deposit Account No. 06-2375, under Order No. HO-P01952US0 from which the undersigned is authorized to draw.